Theme of the commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Indian Republic is showcausing our cultural heritage and progress. Towards this end Government proposes to build permanent assets such as "Bharat Darshan" Science/Culture Parks. The tentative location of the parks are Bangalore and New Delhi. The details of the project are in the process of elaboration.

Important Historical Monuments of Dimasa Kachari Kingdom

5378. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the important historical monuments of Dimasa Kachari Kingdom situated at Dimapur in Nagaland, Maibang in North Cachar Hills and Khaspur in Cachar District of Assam;

(b) if so, whether Government have been maintaining the aforesaid monuments;

(c) whether Government have been allocating any funds for the purpose;

(d) if so, the details of funds allocated for the purpose during the last three years; and

(e) the actual amount released by Government for the same during this period?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The fort at Dimapur in Nagaland, the rock cut temple at Maibong in North Cachar Hills and the historical monuments at Khaspur in Assam, declared to be monuments of national importance are being maintained by Archaeological Survey of India.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Funds allocated during the last three years is as under:

(i) Dimapur Fort Rs. 14,35,000/-

(ii) Maibong Rs. 30,000/-

(iii) Cachari Khaspur Rs. 11,05,000/-

(e) The expenditure incurred by the Government during last three years is as under:

(i) Dimapur Fort Rs. 9,48,966/-

(ii) Maibong Rs. Nil

(iii) Cachari Ruins Khaspur Rs. 5,14,031/-